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Township OK's $14.9 million budget

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees has approved a $14.4 million budget by a 5-2 vote.

Casting the no votes on the new budget and spending plan were trustees Chuck Curmi and Bob Doroshewitz.

The new budget includes plans to hire more public safety employees in both the police and fire departments using money cut from other line-item spending. The budget also includes adding a $311,000 surplus to the $3.9 million general fund balance.

Curmi said that his objections to the plans to hire more police and firefighters were based on an old-model fire department that does not promote regionalization and cooperation. He said he opposes the possible hiring of three firefighters as the township recently increased the fire department by three new hires when Station 2 was reopened this fall.

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Township Supervisor Kurt Heise supported the budget as did Clerk Jerry Vorva, Treasurer Mark Clinton and trustees Gary Heitman and Jack Dempsey. Heise noted that the bond rating for the township had been upgraded to AA-plus, which means better interest rates for financing. He said the new rating was due to the strong budgeting process now in place in the township.

That budgeting process is now a zero-based plan which Heise said he examined line by line and made cuts to nearly 90 percent of spending plans. Those cuts included the elimination of a an economic development position, a reduction in part-time employees and changes to planning department personnel.

While the budget includes funding for three firefighters and three police officers, a decision on those hirings will wait until an evaluation of the shared services agreement with Northville Township at Fire Station No. 2. Heise said that the township will also evaluate the current situation with Huron Valley Ambulance, a matter of contention with fire department employees for some time.

Clinton suggested that the addition of the 1 percent administration fee on tax bills, expected to generate $640,000 in revenue, might alleviate Curmi's stated concerns about retiree costs and funding for capital improvements. Clinton added that the anticipated revenue would go into the general fund and could be used for public safety.

The budget did not include any changes to the township owned Hilltop Golf Course, which has been the subject of public criticism at meetings. An analysis by Plante Moran stated that the facility will lost more than $300,000 by the end of 2020.

Ringing success

Salvation Army Red Kettle effort continues

Volunteer bell ringers are still needed for the Salvation Army Christmas Fundraising Campaign in the Belleville, Canton, Northville and Plymouth service area.

Officials from the organization said the group had collected $10,800 of the $225,000 Red Kettle Campaign goal for this year. Donations are "on pace with last year's collections" representatives said. Those donations last year provided groceries and provisions for about 150 local families to prepare a traditional Thanksgiving meal.

Volunteer bell ringers can sign up online at either ringbell.org by contacting Roger Harder, Christmas kettle coordinator or Sandy Kollinger, volunteer and special events coordinator at (734) 453-5464

"We live in a great community that cares for others, said Major Keith Bailey, corps officer of the Salvation Army Plymouth Corps. "The Salvation Army could not do what it does without the generous support our neighbors and our local businesses."

Overall, The Salvation Army in the Metro Detroit area is looking to raise $7.85 million during the Christmas season from Nov. 1 through Jan. 31, 2018.

Founded by William and Catherine Booth in London, England in 1865, The Salvation Army is a faith-based, non-profit organization dedicated to serving people in need without discrimination, according to the organization website. This past year, The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit was involved in providing 3,220,937 million meals and 677,051 nights of shelter for the homeless. The Salvation Army uses $.85 of every dollar raised to provide direct services to people in need each and every day of the year. For more information about The Salvation Army, call 877-SAL-MICH, or visit www.salmich.org.

Westland Shop & Dine campaign is under way

Shop and Dine has officially begun in Westland.

This is the eighth year for the holiday campaign in the city, a 6-week marketing effort which promotes the city shopping district as "Everything you want. Everything you need" for the holiday season.

The Shop and Dine district is anchored by Westland Shopping Center and is surrounded by more than 160 other shops, restaurants and services making it Wayne County's premier shopping and dining destination, according to city officials.

The campaign will be featured in TV commercials which will begin this week and radio ads will also be hitting the air waves. In addition, the Shop and Dine message will be featured on billboards on major freeways. The campaign also encompasses a large digital and social presence, according to an official statement.

The Shop and Dine campaign includes a free $1,000 in 1,000 seconds shopping spree contest. The contest goes live on Small Business Saturday, Nov. 25, and will conclude Tuesday, Dec. 12. Interested contestants should visit www.cityofwestland.com to enter to win. Three finalists will be chosen from the entries and they will meet at 10 a.m. Dec. 16 at Westland Shopping Center to see who the lucky winner will be. At that time, one more contestant will be picked from the crowd and the four finalists will take turns opening gifts to find out which one holds the grand prize of the $1,000 shopping spree. The winner will then have 1,000 seconds to spend $1,000 at JC Penney.

"We are proud of Westland Shopping Center and the entire Shop and Dine district," commented Mayor William R. Wild. "Our city has so much to offer. We have an emerging food scene with restaurant and cafes featuring foods from around the world.

"The stores inside this mall have something for everybody, from our anchor stores to our smaller boutiques. Our Shop and Dine district definitely has everything you want and everything you need."

Fate of historic house weighed

Time continues to pass by for a home built during the 1800s in Northville.

The fate of the structure will be the topic of a hearing Dec. 20 during the meeting of the Historic District Commission. Owners of the house have requested permission to demolish the structure at 341 East Main and erect a three-story, 12,000 square foot office and condominium building.

The last occupant of the building was MacGuire's Fine Art Gallery.

An earlier hearing in September did not result in any decision on the request from Eric and Renee Guidobono who purchased the house last December for $460,000 with the intent, they said, to establish their building company offices in the house. When renovations began, however, the couple said, the plan was cost prohibitive as the house was badly deteriorated and had warped floors, an unstable roof and foundation insufficiencies.

Restoration expenses of the home which dates from 1865 were estimated at $750,000 by Ed Funke, representing the Guidobonos at the Nov. 15 meeting of the commission.

A report from consulting engineers hired by the Guidobonos stated that restoration would require a total rebuild and recommended the structure be razed. A second engineering report, funded and hired by the commissioners, also determined that the structure had serious foundation and other problems but did not suggest razing the house but rather addressing the problems in the near term to prevent further deterioration.

Funke said the house presents a safety hazard and is not in the best interest of the community. Opponents of the demolition of the old house claim it would be a loss of a historic building and could set a precedent for other demolitions of historic sites.

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THE CANTON EAGLE

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Wayne - Westland

Holiday celebrations planned in area

Annual Taste of Westland set

For nearly two decades, the Holiday Taste Fest has been the premier holiday charity event in Westland.

This year, the Holiday Taste Fest is set for 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5 at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road in Westland.

The event, sponsored by the Westland Chamber of Commerce and Westland Rotary Club, boasts 12 favorite area restaurants and culinary artists featuring their tasty treats and festive holiday displays. There will also be a live auction, raffles, and entertainment by the Marsha Gayle Band. Emcees Ralph and Kim Cabildo of RC DJ and Video, will keep the event moving and lead the live auction.

This charitable event also features a children's winter clothing drive. Donors who bring new or gently used children's gloves, hats or boots (for children ages 3 and older) will be entered in a special raffle to win a $100 gift card, courtesy of Zeal Credit Union.

Tickets for the event are $25 which includes food and entertainment. There will be a cash bar.

For tickets or information, call the Westland Chamber of Commerce at (734) 326-7222 or visit westlandchamber.com

Every year Chef Tony and the William D. Ford Technical Center Culinary Arts students wow guests with their dazzling display of holiday treats at the Holiday Taste Fest.

Wayne to welcome Santa

Santa Claus will visit downtown Wayne from noon until 2 p.m. Dec. 2 to officially open the holiday season.

Wayne Main Street and the Knights of Columbus Council #3021 will be hosting a Visit with Santa in Derby's Alley located at 35005 W. Michigan Ave. right next to GI Surplus.

Children 12 and younger will have the opportunity to visit with Santa and receive a coloring book and candy cane. The first 100 children to register will also receive a free hot dog from Heavenly Hot Dogs. The event is free for all to attend and organizers will be providing goodies for all participants including hot chocolate, cider, and cookies provided by Bakers Acre. The Heavenly Hot Dogs food cart will also be on site and will have food items available for purchase.

"We want to give families in Wayne the opportunity to take their kids to see Santa, while spending some time together in the heart of our amazing downtown," noted Paul Sposite, Deputy Grand Knight with the Knights of Columbus. The event will take place outdoors, so organizers are asking participants to dress accordingly. More information, including a link to register to attend, can be found at downtownwayne.org.

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The Holiday Tree Lighting in Wayne will take place from 6-8:30 p.m. the same evening. At the Wayne Historical Museum (1 Towne Square). Festivities begin at 6 and include cookies, hot chocolate and coffee, caroling, and an opportunity to tour the museum and visit Santa.

Westland will 'Deck City Hall'

Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive in Westland during a celebration beginning at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6.

The annual Deck the City Hall celebration will begin the holiday season in the city, officials said, when residents and guests gather in front of city hall to sing Christmas carols and welcome Santa and Mrs. Claus. Cookies and hot cocoa will be served in city hall after the couple helps Mayor William R. Wild light the official Christmas tree and city hall grounds. There will also be interactive dance activities in order to promote the Westland Healthy City Initiative and children can write out their lists for Santa and put them in Santa's Mailbox that goes direct to the North Pole.

Children will also have a chance to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. As part of the Westland Compassionate City Initiative, anyone who brings a $5 per child or $10 per family monetary donation for "Shop with a Hero" or an unwrapped toy for the Westland Goodfellows toy drive will get a Fast Pass to see Santa and will be able to skip the line.

There will be overflow parking available at JC Penney at Westland Shopping Center and free shuttle buses will be provided.

For those who cannot attend the "Deck the City Hall" event, letters to Santa can be dropped off at Santa's Mailbox at Westland City Hall from Nov. 28 to Dec. 8.

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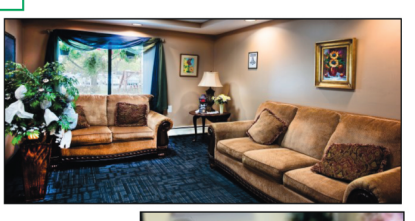

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BELLEVILLE - NORTHVILLE - ROMULUS

Winterfest parade to welcome Santa

Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive in the Belleville area during a lighted parade during the Winter Fest celebration Dec. 2.

Entries for the parade are now being accepted at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, 248 Main St., Belleville, 48111.

Rules for parade entries require that the vehicle must be decorated with working lights. Vehicles with headlights that remain should cover them during participation as headlights distract other participants and judges. Music, however, is welcomed.

Each entry will be evaluated based on theme and use of lights. A minimum of 1000 lights is suggested. Any color or clear lights is acceptable.

Chamber of commerce officials reserve the right to reject any entry that is not in good taste, inappropriate, or not in the best interest of the parade. All entries should be properly identified with signs or banners with the name of the organization so spectators and the announcer can identify the entry.

Only one powered vehicle per entry will be permitted.

Equestrian and animal units must provide their own accompanying clean up personnel and equipment. Those will a vehicle or carriage, must have lights on it to go through the parade

All parade participants are required to conduct themselves in such a manner as not to infringe on the rights of those people living along the parade route.

No Santas or Mrs. Claus please as the "real" Santa and Mrs. Claus have been invited to join the event.

The parade will step off from Belleville High School at 6 p.m.

All participants in walking entries must carry lights or have a trailer pulling them with lights on it. Walkers could have flashlights or pins that light up on their clothing.

All generators for floats should be hidden from sight and confined to a small area to eliminate noise. The individual operating the float should determine where that would be.

Santa Claus will be at the First United Methodist Church after the parade to greet children and hand out stockings.

Line up for parade participants will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Davis Street behind Belleville High School.

For more information, or an entry form, contact the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce at (734) 697-7151.

Signing on

Romulus High School Senior Pierre Brown has accepted a scholarship offer from Michigan State University to run track. Brown is a four-year varsity letter winner in track, a three-year varsity letter winner in football, and a two-year varsity letter winner in wrestling. He has a 3.0 career grade point average and plans to study dentistry, his goal is to open his own his own dental office. "My older brother is my motivation, I always wanted to be better than him. Everything I do is for my mom, she is my main supporter," said Brown. His athletic accomplishments include: two-time All State Track sprinter, Junior Olympic Track National runner up, two-time All League Football player, and a regional qualifier in wrestling.

Scary stuff?

Romulus residents chose their favorite scarecrows among the entries in the annual Downtown Scarecrow Contest this year. Taking first place was the Romulus Fire Department with a straw firefighter rescuing a baby. Second-place winner was the two figure entry from Boy Scout Troop 672 which had two Scouts roasting marshmallows over a mock campfire. Third place honors went to the Romulus Public Library which entered a cart-wheeling scarecrow.

Northville wins 12th finance reporting award

The City of Northville has now received 12 consecutive Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards from the Government Finance Officers Association.

The 12th award was presented for fiscal year 2017 to Sandi Wiktorowski last month. Wiktorowski is the finance director/treasurer in the city. She and several department leaders worked to accomplish the goal under the direction of City Manager Pat Sullivan.

According to a prepared statement from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), the award represents a significant achievement that reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. The City of Northville met the nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation, which requires that a budget be developed to serve in four categories: as a policy document, financial plan, operations guide and communications device. A panel of independent judges reviewed the budgets to ensure they adhered to 27 nationally recognized guidelines within those four categories, according to the prepared release.

The GFOA professional association serves nearly 19,000 appointed and elected government officials at the local, state and provincial level, and other finance practitioners, according to the website. The organization noted that award recipients, 1,600 for budgets beginning in 2017, have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.

CITY OF ROMULUS

Notice of Public Hearing and Proposed Projects

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

FY 2018/2019

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Romulus is announcing its objectives and possible uses for developing projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding and is scheduling a Public Hearing on ***Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm*** for the purpose of receiving comments or suggestions regarding projects for the fiscal year 2018/2019 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) Program. The CITY OF ROMULUS expects to receive an ESTIMATED $151,065.

The primary objectives of the Federal HUD CDBG program are to assist low to moderate income families directly or to provide benefits in areas where 51% of the residents are low to moderate income, such as replacing the urban infrastructure of streets, preserving deteriorating housing, improving recreational facilities and programs and assisting in meeting special needs of the elderly and physically disabled.

Pending actual funding availability, the City proposes to carry out the following eligible activities with the respective estimated amounts.

OBJECTIVES:

A. Benefitting Low and Moderate Income (LMI) Persons
B. Benefitting Low and Moderate Income Limited Clientele (LMC) Persons
C. Addressing Slums and Blight or Low and Moderate Income Housing Benefit
D. Meeting a particularly urgent community development need

FY 2018/2019 Proposed Projects

ACTIVITY	Amount:	* Objectives Met:
Senior Services/Public Services - LMC - 05A	$ 22,660	A & B
Project in qualifying area/Non Public Service	$113,298	C & D
General Administration - 21A (10%)	$ 15,107	A
Sub-Total	$151,065	
Next available project	$ 5,000	A C, D
from Program Income	$156, 065	

The Public is invited to attend and comment during the first Public Hearing or to make written comments on or before December 8, 2017. The City of Romulus will provide reasonable accommodations for those individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services. For further information, contact the Economic Development Department, City of Romulus, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, (734) 942-7545.

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CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP 17/18-12 DESIGN/BUILD - FIRE ALARM & SUPPRESSION SYSTEM UPGRADES - CITY HALL AND LIBRARY

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking proposals from NICET Certified Technicians and Licensed Fire Alarm Contractors (State of Michigan Bureau of Construction Codes Electrical Fire Alarm Contractor License) for the design of and installation of all equipment required for any needed upgrading or replacement of the existing fire alarm systems of the Romulus Library and Romulus City Hall and from Licensed Fire Suppression Contractors as required by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Construction Codes for modifications/upgrades to the existing fire suppression system at the Romulus Library and Romulus City Hall. All work shall be compliant with all applicable International Fire Code (IFC) (2015,) State of Michigan Building Code (MBC) (2015,) current National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and Federal standards and regulations. Contractors are invited to submit proposals on either project or both.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a proposal ***must use the forms provided by the City***. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct at http://www.mitn.info/. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies. Proposals may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents.

(2) A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 1:00 PM, Friday, December 8, 2017, in the Council Chambers of Romulus City Hall located at 11111 Wayne Road. In addition to provided clarifications to the bid documents, this will be the only opportunity for vendors to view the existing buildings, equipment and existing conditions for both locations prior to submitting a proposal.

(3) Any questions regarding the bid must be emailed to purchasing@romulusgov.com and received prior to the deadline for submitting questions, Friday, December 15, 2017 by 12:00 P.M., local time

(4) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN system. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the RFP documents.

(5) A total of five (5) copies (One original and four marked "Copy") of the proposal must be submitted together in a sealed envelope or package and returned to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:30 P.M., **January 4, 2018. The original proposal may be clipped but should not be stapled or bound. Copies may be stapled and bound. The original and copies should be identical, excluding the obvious difference in labeling.**

(6) **One RFP pricing sheet must be sealed in a separate envelope and placed within the envelope/package containing the copies of the proposals. This envelope should be clearly marked "RFP 17/18-12 DESIGN/BUILD - FIRE ALARM & SUPPRESSION SYSTEM UPGRADES - CITY HALL & LIBRARY - RFP PRICING SHEET." DO NOT INCLUDE ANY PRICING OR FEES IN YOUR TECHNICAL PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS. Failure to submit pricing on the proposal form provided by the City of Romulus may cause the bid to be considered non-responsive and ineligible for award.** Proposals should be addressed using the proposal label provided in the RFP documents.

(7) At approximately 2:45 p.m. local time following the deadline for submitting bids, all timely received bids are to be publicly received.

(8) The successful Contractor will be required to enter into a contract with, and provide all bonds and submit proof of all insurance required by the request for proposal documents and originals of all required endorsements acceptable to the City.

(9) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in proposals received and to award the bid in whole or in part.

For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing purchasing@romulusgov.com

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Inkster

'Legends' raffle continues

Sales of tickets for the Annual Inkster Legends Christmas Raffle are now under way and sales are going well, according to founder and director Fred Smiley.

Every year, the Inkster Legends raffle pays for holiday groceries and gifts for 100 less fortunate Inkster families.

This year the annual raffle will include a grand prize of two tickets to see the Houston Rockets vs. the Detroit Pistons at Little Caesars Arena Jan. 6, 2018. First prize is a weekend stay at the Sheraton Hotel with breakfast and second prize will be four tickets to The Henry Ford museum. Third prize is a birthday party blast for 15 people at the Romulus Athletic Center and fourth prize is two racks of lamb from Fairway meats in Detroit. Fifth prize is a one-day weekend stay at the Marriott Hotel and sixth prize is a Garmin GPS Navigation system. Seventh, Eighth and Ninth prizes are dinner for two at Urban Soul, dinner for two at They Say and dinner for two at Red Lobster. Bonus prize this year is a $25 gift certificate at Famous Ford Garage restaurant in Dearborn and the bonus grand prize is a family package for four people to see the world-famous Harlem Globetrotters at Little Caesars Arena.

Tickets for the raffle of all these prizes is a $10 donation and winners need not be present to win, Smiley said. "All proceeds from the raffle go to the Christmas Giveaway."

The drawing for the raffle will take place at 6 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Sheraton Hotel in Romulus.

"This fundraiser will really help in our efforts to provide 100 families in Inkster with a great Christmas," Smiley said. "We also accept donations and to donate or for more information go to www.inksterlegends.com and click on contact us."

For raffle tickets contact Smiley at (734) 890-2478, Daniel Orr (313) 715-6700 or Larry Spencer (313) 520-8144.

Teen shooting investigated

An investigation into the shooting of a 15-year-old Inkster youth is continuing, according to reports from the Michigan State Police.

Troopers from the Metro South patrol in Inkster are working with investigators from the Michigan State Police Special Investigation Section to determine the facts surrounding the shooting which took place Nov. 20 in the 3800 block of Henry Ruff.

The 15-year-old, who has not been identified by authorities, was taken to an area hospital with non life-threatening injuries.

Investigators are currently working leads on suspects in the incident, police sources reported, although no motive for the shooting had been determined at the time of the report.

Police said more information would be released as the investigation proceeds..

Seniors to celebrate holiday

The Inkster Commission on Aging Annual Christmas Party is planned for 11:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 4.

The party will take place at the Dozier Recreation Complex, 2025 Middlebelt Road, in Inkster.

Tickets will be sold only in advance and no tickets will be available at the door. Tickets are $8 for members and $10 for non members and can be purchased at the Twin Towers or the recreation complex.

Tickets are limited. For more information, call (313) 561-2382. Sales will begin Nov. 15.

Letter to the Editor

Board criticized for program cancellation

Tom Yack

To the editor;

It was recently announced that the successful John Glenn Scholars program would no longer continue.

As a Scholars board member, I am deeply disappointed that the students of John Glenn will be denied the opportunity to be challenged by this program. The decision to end the program was very difficult, but necessary.

As was reported by The Eagle, the founders and financial supporters of the Scholars program, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, no longer received the staff support that was promised when approached to start the program. The Scholars program was a collaboration of staff, students and parents. The success of the program can be traced to the leadership and enthusiasm of John Glenn's school psychologist and the scores of staff who served as mentors. The former superintendent, with the support of the board of education, was responsible for the demise of the Scholars program. The withdrawal of staff support made it impossible to continue the program.

The success of the Scholars program can't be denied. By any metric, the program was not only improving student grade point averages, but also changing lives. One only had to attend an awards banquet to understand how meaningful and life changing the experience was for both students and mentors. These banquets were the largest gathering of students, parents and staff outside of graduation.

This program realized significant student academic success through its ALL IN behavior by its founders, staff, students and parents. It is shocking that members of the board of education who were present at the banquets did not stand up for the program instead of acquiescing to the actions of the former superintendent.

As a former 11-year school board member, I believed it was essential for each board member to think for themselves and make decisions in the best interests of students. In this case, the members of the Wayne-Westland School Board choose to follow the lead of the superintendent instead of supporting the students of John Glenn.

By all accounts, the Scholars program has not only impacted academic grades, it has created a high school culture supportive of academic achievement. It is sad to think that half of Wayne-Westland's high school students will not have available to them this outstanding academic program. More than 600 John Glenn students each semester will be denied the opportunity to have an academic and personal development mentor.

If, as a school board member, I was made aware of a high school program that produced significant academic results, engaged students, teachers, and parents, resulted in a positive change to the school culture and was accomplished with limited funds, I would have said I'm ALL IN. Seldom does a program like John Glenn Scholars come along, it is a shame that the Wayne-Westland Board of Education wasn't ALL IN.

Tom Yack,
Canton Township

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The following appeal will be heard at a public hearing to be held in the Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, MI, Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at which time comments may be directed to the Board during audience participation. If you wish to reply by mail, send your comments to the above address. All property owners whose names appear in our tax rolls located within 300' of this property are being notified pursuant to this statute.

Petition #2865-Scotty's Liquor-35812 Ford Rd.
Req. for a 120.5 sq. ft. sign area variance from Ord. 248 to install wall-mounted signage on 3 sides of the building that would comprise 195.5 sq. ft.; whereas Sec. 15:6.2 allows the building a maximum of 75 sq. ft.

Petition #2866-S. Wackro-33406 Bordeaux Ct.
Req. for a 1'6" side yd. fence hgt. variance from Art. X of the Westland City Code, to install a 6' high privacy fence in the east side yd. of the home; whereas Sec. 22-303(c) states that side yd. fences that are allowed cannot exceed 4'6" in hgt.

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Kids Christmas Craft!

Make a snowman ornament and magic reindeer food!

When: Tuesday, December 5 @6:30pm
OR
Thursday, December 7 @6:30pm

No sign-up is necessary, but space/supplies are limited to the first 40 kids each night.

Please come to ONE NIGHT ONLY—both nights will feature the same crafts.

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This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library

CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Holiday tree lighting set at the Summit

Santa and his reindeer will make a special stop in Canton Township during the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the Summit on the Park.

The celebration will begin outside at 6 p.m. with holiday carols, Santa's arrival, and countdown with The Village Theater Performing Arts Coordinator Joe Kvoriak for the official lighting of the tree. Additional outside activities include up-close and personal visits with real live reindeer, as well as Canton Chills Carving demonstrations.

Indoor activities for children include: cookie decorating, face painting, seasonal crafts areas, and pictures with Santa. New this year, event participants are encouraged to visit the Hallway of Giving to obtain craft pieces to create a holiday souvenir, as they learn about several local nonprofit groups and how they can pay it forward with a monetary donation this holiday season. This unique area will feature: Camp A.B.L.E., an award-winning program that provides unique camp opportunities to individuals with disabilities; Plymouth Miracle League, which is dedicated to providing an opportunity to play organized baseball to children with physical and mental disabilities; Canton Goodfellows, whose mission is to ensure that no child goes without a Christmas in the Canton community, and Open Door Ministry Food Pantry, a local organization which provides food assistance to needy families.

Additional indoor activities include Holidays Around the World, where children can learn about special traditions and festivities celebrated in six different countries. The Detroit Circus will also provide strolling entertainment during the event and members of the Canton Concert Band will be on hand to perform holiday tunes.

The event is sponsored in part by American 1 Credit Union; Atchinson Ford; Brightside Dental; Busch's; Community Financial; The Goddard School for Early Childhood Development; IHA Cares; Jack Demmer Ford; Liberty Tax; Motor City MINI and Renewal by Anderson.

For more information about this event, or other upcoming holiday events at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton,visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams welcomes Santa to town during festivities at the Summit on the Park.

Crash injures 2 drivers

An early-morning crash that left two Canton motorists injured last week remains under investigation by police.

According to Lt. Patrick Sullivan of the Canton Township Police Department, officers were called to the area of Ford Road west of Ridge Road at about 12:10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 24.

Officers responding to the scene determined that a 37-year-old township resident was driving eastbound on Ford Road in a 2002 Chevrolet Corvette when he lost control of the vehicle, crossed the centerline and was struck by a 2016 Cadillac traveling westbound on Ford.

The Cadillac was driven by a 56-year-old Canton resident who was transported to St. Joseph Hospital in Ypsilanti by Canton emergency services where police said his injuries did not appear to be life-threatening.

The driver of the Corvette was also transported by Canton EMTs to St. Joseph and his condition, according to police reports, was listed as critical.

Sullivan said that initial findings indicate that speed and alcohol may have been factors in the collision, which remains under investigation by the Canton Police Department. The Accident Investigation Team was called to the scene of the incident, Sullivan said.

Wolcott chosen as mayor

Plymouth City Commissioners unanimously selected top-vote getter Oliver Wolcott as the new mayor of the city.

The commissioners made their choice during the first meeting of the newly-elected body earlier this month. Wolcott, an incumbent, was the first-place finisher in the five candidate field Nov. 7.

Wolcott, 35, was first elected to the commission four years ago.

He pledged to remain accessible to residents and said it was an honor to accept the 2-year term as mayor of his home town. He had served as mayor pro-tem under Mayor Dan Dwyer, who opted not to seek re-election after 18 years serving on the commission, 10 as mayor of the city.

Wolcott, Dan Dalton, Ed Krol and Nichols Moroz were chosen to represent Plymouth residents on the commission during the November balloting.

The commissioners selected Colleen Pobur to serve as mayor pro tem by a unanimous vote.

Following the meeting, Dwyer was given a standing ovation by those in attendance.

'Neighbors' program planned

Plymouth Township will begin a new program called "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" in 2018 - an initiative designed to pair residents in need with volunteers willing to help.

"This is an idea that I had been thinking about for some time," said Township Clerk Jerry Vorva, whose office will be leading the effort. "It's a great way to provide help to residents at virtually no cost to the taxpayers."

Local resident Joshua Schriver, who is volunteering as the township Community Service Coordinator, is developing the program by assembling a database of volunteers and groups looking to help, and will work to match those volunteers with residents in need.

"We find that many of our neighbors just need a hand with light housework, yard cleaning, snow shoveling, and debris removal," said Vorva, "we also know that we have hundreds of volunteers in our community - individuals, business, schools, churches and others - who are looking for opportunities to give back.

"I think it will be a unique way for the township to serve as a clearinghouse for folks looking to help and those who need it," Vorva added.

The "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" program will officially begin in January. Until then, Schriver will be contacting individuals and organizations looking to participate in the program.

Individuals or organizations willing to help, can reach Schriver at (734) 414-1423 or email him at volunteer@plymouthtwp.org.

To subscribe to The Eagle call 734-467-1900.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
LEGAL NOTICE
2017 WINTER TAXES

Winter taxes are due December 1, 2017 and payable through February 14, 2018 without penalty. Additional information appears on the reverse side of your tax statement. MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH. Payments may be made at the Township Hall during regular working hours Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Treasurer's Office. Township offices will be closed on Friday, December 22, Monday, December 25 and Friday, December 29. After hours payments can be placed in the 24 hour WHITE DROP BOX located along the circular drive.

Mark Clinton
Treasurer
Charter Township of Plymouth
9955 N Haggerty Road
Plymouth MI 48170

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City of Westland
2017 December Board of Review

The City of Westland Board of Review will be conducting the 2017 December Board of Review and will convene in the Westland City Hall at 36300 Warren Rd., Westland Michigan 48185.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

December 12, 2017 at 10:30 A.M.

This is a correction Board of Review and will cover all clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact during the meeting.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act". If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (734) 467-3160.

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CITY OF WESTLAND
SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
MTG. 23 11/20/17

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Cicirelli Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Herzberg, Johnson, Kehrer
187: DTE Purchase Agrmnt. for Clyde-Smith Street Lighting.
- Adopted Ord. 248-A-84 to amend Ord. 248 to rezone R-5 to PUD District classification, PID #001-99-0003-000 thru -0007-000.
188: Minutes of regular meeting held 11/6/17.
189: Appr. Atty. Recommendation re. McCormack v. City.
190: Appr. Rev. Site Plan for Prop. Ext. Renovations/Car Wash Addition, North Bros Ford, 33300 Ford Rd. w.contingencies.
191: Appr. Update of Official Zoning District Map.
192: Appr. checklist: $3,019,948.58.
Mtg. adj. at 7:42 p.m.

James Godbout
Council President

Richard LeBlanc
City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 248 - A-84

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE AND RESTRICT THE USE OF LAND AND STRUCTURES BY DIVIDING THE CITY OF WESTLAND INTO DISTRICTS AND ESTABLISHING THE LOCATION AND BOUNDARIES THEREOF BY ADOPTION OF AN OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT MAP; TO SPECIFY THE DISTRICTS WITHIN WHICH LANDS MAY BE USED FOR BUSINESS, INDUSTRIAL, RESIDENCE AND OTHER SPECIFIED PURPOSES; TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS, REGULATIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS GOVERNING THE LOCATION, ERECTION, CONSTRUCTIONS, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION AND USE OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND LAND WITHIN SUCH DISTRICTS; TO LIMIT THE HEIGHT AND BREADTH OF BUILDINGS, SIGNS AND OTHER STRUCTURES; TO REGULATE THE INTENSITY OF USE OF LOT AREAS AND TO DETERMINE THE SIZE OF YARDS AND OTHER OPEN SPACES; TO ESTABLISH SITE DESIGN REGULATIONS AND TO PROVIDE SITE DESIGN REVIEW PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS; TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS FOR SPECIAL LAND USE AND SPECIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT; TO LIMIT CONGESTION IN THE PUBLIC STREETS BY PROVIDING OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESTRICTION AND GRADUAL ELIMINATION OF NON-CONFORMING USES OF LAND, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, TO REGULATE SIGNS BY ESTABLISHING RESTRICTIONS UPON THE SIZE, HEIGHT, LOCATION AND NUMBER OF PERMISSIBLE SIGNS AND PROHIBITING CERTAIN SIGNS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, ENFORCEMENT AND AMENDMENT OF THE ORDINANCE, TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS WITH RESPECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE; AND TO REPEAL THE PRIOR ZONING ORDINANCE.

THE CITY OF WESTLAND ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the zoning map of Ordinance No. 248 of the City of Westland be and the same is hereby amended to show PUD district classification where R-5 district classification is now shown in the area situated in the City of Westland, Wayne County. Michigan, described as:

56-001-99-0003-701

PART OF THE NORTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 1, T. 2 S., R. 9 E., CITY OF WESTLAND, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 1; THENCE N. 00° 12' 00" W. 830.59 FEET ALONG THE NORTH/SOUTH ¼ LINE OF SAID SECTION 1 TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF ANN ARBOR TRAIL (120 FEET WIDE) SAID POINT BEING S. 00° 12' 00" E. 1866.56 FEET FROM THE NORTH ¼ CORNER OF SAID SECTION 1; THENCE N. 77° 23' 10" E. 200.00 FEET ALONG SAID CENTERLINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING N. 77° 23' 10" E. 299.25 FEET ALONG SAID CENTERLINE; THENCE S. 00° 12' 00" E. 275.00 FEET; THENCE N. 77° 23' 10" E. 245.75 FEET; THENCE S. 00° 12' 00" E. 524.39 FEET; THENCE S. 63° 56' 01" W. 431.07 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST/WEST ¼ LINE OF SAID SECTION 1; THENCE S. 89° 13' 59" W. 144.38 FEET ALONG SAID EAST/WEST ¼ LINE; AND THENCE N. 00° 12' 00" W. 871.70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 9.00 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC OVER THE NORTHERLY 60 FEET FOR ANN ARBOR TRAIL (120 FEET WIDE). ALSO SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL EASEMENTS OR RIGHTS OF WAY OF RECORD, IF ANY. SPLIT/COMBINED ON 01/26/2017 FROM 001 99 0005 000, 001 99 0003 000, 001 99 0004 000, 001 99 0006 000, 001 99 0007 000;

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Section 2. The other classifications in effect in all other areas of the zoning map shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Repeal. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 5. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication thereof.

Adopted: November 20, 2017
Effective: November 30, 2017
Published: November 30, 2017

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Calendar of events

Veterans post needs new home

The American Legion Westland Post 251 is in need of a temporary building or home the veterans could maintain including minor repair work, if needed, painting, maintenance of a parking lot and/or yard work.

The group would also pay utility bills at the home or building.

Anyone who may be able to help the veterans group is asked to contact Post Commander Bill Acton at (734) 776-5491.

Acton noted that the veterans are in need of assistance in finding a location for the post operations.

Teens to serve pancakes

The Northville High 2017-2018 boys and girls basketball teams will host a "Meet the Teams" Pancake Breakfast from 9 until 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, in the high school cafeteria.

Northville Parks and Recreation youth basketball games will be staged in the main gym throughout the morning.

There will be a pancake eating challenge beginning at 10:30 a.m. open to all.

Cost is $5 per person or $20 per family.

This event is open to the community as a kick off to the 2017-2018 season. The school is located at 45700 West Six Mile Road in Northville.

Christmas crafts at library

The Romulus Public Library will host a Kids Christmas Craft event at 6:30 Dec. 5 and again Dec. 7. Children can make a snowman ornament and magic reindeer food. No sign-up is necessary, but space and supplies are limited to the first 40 children who sign up each night.

Both nights will feature the same crafts.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road. The event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

Identity theft seminar set

An attorney from the office of Attorney General Bill Schuette will discuss identity theft at a meeting set for 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6 hosted by City of Wayne Senior Services.

Highlights of the presentation will include identifying the signs of identity theft and fraud, ways to protect personal information online and off and what to do in case of identity theft.

To preregister for the free meeting, call Wayne Senior Services, (734) 721-7460 ext. 7. The meeting will take place at the HYPE Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Road at Annapolis in Wayne.

Shopping day celebrates city

Christmas in Plymouth shopping day is planned for 5-9 p.m. Dec. 7 throughout downtown Plymouth. There will be carriage rides, wagon rides, caroling, music and a festive holiday atmosphere along with plenty of special holiday sales at both merchants and restaurants.

Santa and his live reindeer will appear, along with his elves.

For more information, visit plymouthmich.org.

Christmas at the Capitol planned

State Sen. David Knezek will host Christmas at the Capitol for Inkster residents on Friday, Dec. 8.

Visitors will check in at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex at 8 a.m. and the bus will depart for Lansing at 8:30 a.m. Arrival back at Inkster is expected at about 4:30 p.m.

The trip is free and includes transportation by chartered bus, a personal tour of the Michigan State Capitol with Knezek, phonographs on the Senate Floor, lunch and a t-shirt.

Those interested should RSVP to Denise Champagne at (313) 651-2382 and include their t-shirt size.

Children's workshops planned

The Belleville Area Museum will offer Children's Christmas Ornament Workshops and photos with Santa at noon, 1:15 and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday Dec. 9 and again on Saturday, Dec. 16.

Reservations are strongly encouraged and required for groups. The cost is $2 per child.

The Belleville Area Museum, serving the communities of Belleville, Sumpter and Van Buren, is located at 405 Main St. in Belleville.

For reservations or information, call the museum at (734) 697-1944 or email kdallos@provide.net.

Chorus will sing carols

The Belleville Community Chorus, with the Children's Chorus, will present a concert of Christmas Carols at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 at United Methodist Church in Belleville.

The chorus is under the direction of Sue Hiser and Steve Ko and will be accompanied by Kevin Shay.

The church is located at 417 Charles St. in Belleville.

Historic exchange

The Plymouth Historical Museum is offering free admission on Dec. 2 in exchange for one new, unwrapped toy for the Toys for Tots program. The Toys for Tots program was founded in 1947 by reservist Major Bill Hendricks. He had a mission to provide toys for underprivileged children. This mission has been ongoing for 70 years thanks to the Marine Corps Reserve and donations from the public. There is a donation box located in the museum lobby for all new and wrapped toys for families in need and that cannot afford to purchase toys for their children. The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main St. in Plymouth.

History of Wayne is topic

John Mills, vice-president of the Wayne Historical Society, will discuss the history and background of Wayne during a 7 p.m. meeting Thursday, Dec. 14 at the museum.

He will discuss how political boundaries were carved out and share a new program to help members show pride in Wayne.

The museum is located at One Towne Square in Wayne.

Holiday Pops concert set

The Michigan Philharmonic Orchestra will present the annual yuletide musical celebration, Holiday Pops with the Phil from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14 at the Penn Theatre in Plymouth.

The theater is located at 760 Penniman in downtown Plymouth.

Tickets are priced from $10-$30. For information or to purchase tickets, call (734) 451-2112 or info@michiganphil.org.

Miniature Masterpieces performed

The Michigan Philharmonic will perform chamber ensemble music performed by 14 players during the Miniature Masterpieces concert set for 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 14 at St. John's Chapel in Plymouth. The chapel is located at 574 S Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

For information or to purchase tickets, call (734) 451-2112 or info@michiganphil.org.

Senior Book Club meets

The Senior Book Club will meet at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 19 at the Romulus Senior Center.

Adults 55 are welcome to join the free sessions.

Copies of the books for discussion include Rules of Civility by Amor Towles and Mrs. Tom Thumb by Melanie Benjamin.

Both books are available at the Romulus Public Library, 11121 Wayne Road.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

Rock, Pop & Soul performed

The Michigan Philharmonic Orchestra will perform a Valentines themed concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at the Village Theater in Canton Township.

The music featured will be from the 70s and 80s .

The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton.

For information or to purchase tickets, call (734) 451-2112 or info@michiganphil.org.

Tchaikovsky Spectacular planned

The Michigan Philharmonic Orchestra will present a Tchaikovsky Spectacular at 2 p.m. March 18 at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth.

Guest composer Zhou Tian will be featured along with pianist Patrick Johnson and a side-by-side performance with the top group of the Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra.

The church is located at 45201 North Territorial Road in Plymouth Township.

For information or to purchase tickets, call (734) 451-2112 or info@michiganphil.org.

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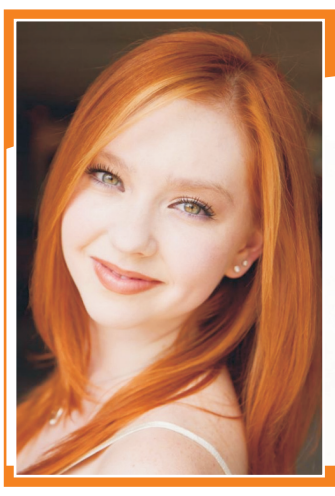
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